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MEETING FOR PROPOSED FRG PILOT STUDY, BONN, SEPTEMBER

11-12, 1973.

REF: USNATO 4100 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: EXPERTS FROM SEVEN NATO COUNTRIES MET IN BONN TO DISCUSS FRG PLANS FOR PILOT STUDY ON HAZARDOUS WASTES. AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE REACHED ON REVISED PILOT STUDY PROPOSAL AND OUTLINE OF WORK PROGRAM WHICH CIRCULATED AT MEETING. FRG WILL PRESENT PROPOSAL FOR APPROVAL BY CCMS AT OCTOBER PLENARY. END SUMMARY.

2. EXPERTS FROM BELGIUM, CANADA, DENMARK, FRG, FRANCE, UK AND US ATTENDED BONN MEETING WHICH KEYNOTED BY MINISTRY OF INTERIOR STATE SECRETARY HARTKOPF. HARTKOPF NOTED THAT PROBLEM OF DISPOSING OF VAST QUANTITIES HAZARDOUS WASTES BY FRG AND OTHER COUNTRIES WAS MAGNIFIED BY IMPORTANT RECENT AGREEMENT ON OCEAN DUMPING. ALTERNATIVE OF DISPOSITION ON LAND POSES PROBLEMS EXTENDING BEYOND NATIONAL BORDERS AND CALLING FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION TO HARMONIZE PROCEDURES. CCMS OFFERS AN ESPECIALLY SUITABLE FRAMEWORK FOR A CONSTRUCTIVE JOINT EFFORT OF THIS KIND.

3. MEETING CHAIRED BY DR. G. HOESEL, DIRECTOR OF SOLID WASTE DIVISION, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR. REVISED FRG PROPOSAL CIRCULATED AT MEETING WHICH CALLS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION OF SUITABLE TECHNOLOGICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL METHODS FOR DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING OF HAZARDOUS WASTES ON ECONOMICALLY AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND BASIS. GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTES AND FOR TREATMENT OF A LIST OF PARTICULAR PROBLEM SUBSTANCES WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR RECOMMENDATION TO GOVERNMENTS. WORK PROGRAM SET FORTH AS FOLLOWS:
PHASE I - BY JULY 1975: EXCHANGE INFO ON:

- ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF HAZARDOUS WASTES
- TRANSPORTATION - INTERMEDIATE STORAGE
- DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING OF SUITABLE DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES

THE ABOVE STUDY PHASE WILL FOCUS PARTICULARLY ON:
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- (1) HARDENING AGENTS (STEEL)
- (2) ACIDIC RESINS (DISTILLATION RESIDUES)
- (3) ORGANIC SOLVENTS
- (4) ARSENIC RESIDUES
- (5) SLUDGES CONTAINING NONFERROUS METALS
(SURFACE TREATMENT RESIDUES)

THE MEETING DELETED BERYLLIUM AS LESS INTERESTING TO THE GROUP BUT EXTENDED THE LIST TO INCLUDE MERCURY, CHROMIUM AND POSSIBLY PESTICIDES. INFO EXCHANGE WILL INCLUDE REPORTS, EXPERT MEETINGS, AND MAJOR CONFERENCES. AGREED FINAL RESULTS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN CCMS DOCUMENTS.

PHASE II - BY JULY 1976. DEVELOPMENT AND TESTING OF PLANNING FACILITIES AND MANAGEMENT INSTRUMENTS. IN MODEL REGIONS SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL WILL BE TESTED FOR EFFECTIVENESS AND ECONOMY OF OPERATION. INFO EXCHANGE WILL INCLUDE EXPERTS MEETINGS AND SYSTEM DEMONSTRATIONS.

PHASE III - FOLLOWING JULY 1976. PREPARATION OF FINAL REPORT TO CCMS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS TO

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GOVERNMENTS FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT
(TECHNOLOGY AND METHODOLOGY). REPORT TO BE
PUBLISHED AT END 1976, MAY ALSO IDENTIFY
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UNSOLVED PROBLEMS TO BE DEALT WITH IN POSSIBLE
SUBSEQUENT PROGRAMS.

4. AS A SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION, FRG WILL OFFER REGIONAL
DEMONSTRATION STUDY PROJECT ABOUT RECYCLING AND
DISPOSAL OF SPECIAL WASTE, BEING CARRIED OUT IN A
SELECTED INDUSTRIALIZED AREA INCLUDING STUTTGART-
MANNHEIM-KARLSRUHE IN BADEN-WUERTTEMBERG. FRG WILL ALSO
UNDERTAKE WORK ON TREATMENT OF HARDENING AGENTS
(PHASE I, PARA 3 ABOVE). AT THIS TIME UK REP INDICATED
HIS GOVERNMENT PROBABLY COULD CONTRIBUTE SPECIFIC WORK
ON NON-FERROUS METAL SLUDGES. FRENCH REP SUPPORTED FRG
PROPOSAL AND INDICATED FRANCE CAN OFFER WORK ON CHROMIUM
AND CHROMIUM SILTS. CANADIAN REP COULD NOT YET COMMIT
HIS GOVERNMENTS ORGANIZATION IN THIS FIELD BUT
EXPECTED TO BE ABLE TO DO SO AT OCTOBER PLENARY. DANISH
REP EXPRESSED INTEREST IN STUDY AND SPECIFICALLY IN WORK
ON SURFACE TREATMENT RESIDUES FROM ELECTROPLATING
INDUSTRY BUT DENMARK JUST GETTING ORGANIZED IN FIELD AND
COULD NOT MAKE COMMITMENT AS YET. BELGIAN REP EXPRESSED
INTEREST BUT COULD NOT YET SPECIFICALLY COMMIT HIS
GOVERNMENT.

5. US REP (LEHMAN, EPA) DISTRIBUTED COPIES OF RECENT EPA
REPORT TO CONGRESS AND OFFERED PROVIDE FORTHCOMING US
REPORTS ON TOXICOLOGY OF HAZARDOUS COMPOUNDS, TREATMENT
AND DISPOSAL TECHNOLOGY, AND TREATMENT FACILITY DESIGN
AND COST ESTIMATES, WHEN THESE TOO HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO
CONGRESS. US ALSO WILLING PROVIDE SERIES OF SURVEYS OF
WASTE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN 10 KEY INDUSTRIES, WHICH

SHOULD BE COMPLETED NEXT YEAR. US REP NOTED THAT WE VIEWED REGULATORY APPROACH AS MOST EFFECTIVE FOR ACHIEVEMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND INDICATED THAT IT WOULD BE ORGANIZATIONAL AND MANAGEMENT RATHER THAN TECHNOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM WHICH WOULD PROBABLY INTEREST US MOST IN PILOT STUDY.

6. MEETING CHAIRMAN HOESEL (FRG) REQUESTED THAT INTERESTED GOVTS NOTIFY FRG AUTHORITIES OF THEIR SPECIFIC INTERESTS AND THE ROLES THEY WOULD BE PREPARED
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PLAY IN STUDY BEFORE ITS PRESENTATION FOR APPROVAL BY CCMS. FRG WOULD CIRCULATE MEETING REPORT AND UPDATED FUTURE.
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